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| Applicant: | Thomas J. BONOLA | § | Confirmation No.: | 6235 |
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| Serial No.: | 10/037,806 | § | Group Art Unit: | 2189 |
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| For: | Method For Providing | § | Docket No.: | 200304304-1 |
| | Concurrent Non-Blocking | § | | |
| | Heap Memory Management | § | | |
| | For Fixed Sized Blocks | § | | |

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Mail Stop RCE                                     Date: December 15, 2005
Commissioner for Patents
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

### AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the final Office action of October 7, 2005, Applicant presents this Preliminary Amendment and accompanying Request for Continued Examination (RCE). Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 11 of this paper.